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MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Happy New Year. I hope everyone enjoyed the Christmas break. Next week we have the celebration of achievement assemblies which rewards students who have achieved 25 or more achievement points during the autumn term. All those eligible will be entered into a prize draw; 1 ticket for every 25 points achieved. For Years 7-10 two names per year will be drawn and each will receive a £10 Amazon voucher. In Year 11 the two students drawn will receive a free ticket to the Leavers' Ball.

During the week commencing 30th January we will be holding daily 'open door' tours where current parents and carers, as well as our new parents and carers for September 2016 who were not able to tour the school last October, are invited to visit the school during a normal working day. Senior staff will be available to lead tours through classrooms starting at 9.10am and 10.10am. If you would like to tour the school on one of these mornings please contact reception to book a place. I would also like to extend this invitation to families who may have recently moved to the area or are contemplating moving into the area who wish to consider Reigate School as one of their choices.

Mrs Wardlow

SPOTLIGHT

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Year 7	Elissa Hough for a fantastic start back after Christmas with positive comments from her form tutor.
Year 8	Kyle Campbell for organising a bench ball tournament for his year group.
Year 9	Curtis Young for impressing the staff at the University of Surrey at a recent careers fair.
Year 10	Molly Borgia for using her experience to help organise and assist the newer choir members at Willow Glade.
Year 11	Jamal Kamusoko for excellent effort on his Art coursework in preparation for his upcoming mock exam.

THIS WEEK'S COMMENDATION AWARDS

Year 7	7PWR
Year 8	8MTH
Year 9	9MBR
Year 10	10GFO
Year 11	11RJO

BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 7	7LJE, 7AJU	100%
Year 8	8MTH	100%
Year 9	9EWL	99.1%
Year 10	10GFO	96.9%
Year 11	11CHA	96.1%

Whole School Attendance 93.6%

UPCOMING DATES

Wednesday 11 th January	Lunchtime careers talk on the social care industry
Thursday 12 th January	Year 11 Parents' Evening
Friday 13 th January	Lego League Regional Finals at Sofitel Hotel, Gatwick
Saturday 14 th January	Surrey Schools' Individual Swimming Championships, Guildford Spectrum

PARENTS' EVENINGS

Year 11	Thursday 12 th January
Year 9	Thursday 9 th February
Year 7	Thursday 23 rd February (with Form Tutors Only)
Year 10	Thursday 2 nd March
Year 8 Options Evening	Thursday 9 th March
Year 8	Thursday 23 rd March

NOTICES

WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTO

The order deadline for the whole school photo is Monday 9th January. Forms can be picked up from Student Services.



NEWS AND EVENTS

AN INSPECTOR CALLS AT THE PLAYHOUSE THEATRE



Over the course of three trips, 160 students from Years 10 and 11 went to the Playhouse Theatre in London to see 'An Inspector Calls'. They have been studying this play for their GCSE exam and this excellent production, directed by Stephen Daldry, gave them the opportunity to see it come alive on stage. It is very different to see a play performed than to read it off the page and those that saw it commented on how it has helped them to see it from start to finish in one go. They also felt that it helped them to understand the themes and characters better. Here are some comments from the students.

Nathan Lay: 'I liked the actor's performance of Eric.'

Max Wilson: 'I liked the use of the stage and how the Inspector was below the family.'

Taylor Edgar: 'It was fascinating to see a different version on the stage.'

Jack Large: 'I thought Eric was very enthusiastic and lively, he played his character very well.'

Molly Chapman: 'I liked the experience of going to a theatre. A well performed play at a beautiful venue, a great day out.'

Elin Griffiths: 'A very dramatic and enthusiastic play I really enjoyed it.'

Joshua Bayode: 'The best part was that as the inspector left, the house was collapsing and there were mini explosions.'

Rosie Caffyn: 'I liked the setting.'

Katie Nicholson-Best: 'I liked the setting as I thought it was very interesting and imaginative.'

Jennifer Stokes: 'The play was really exciting to watch and it was great we could see it being acted out.'

Vladislav Vylitok: 'I enjoyed the Inspector Calls trip; however I imagined it to be a lot different.'

Polly Cleeve: 'The props and lighting were extremely effective; it helped bring the story to life from a book.'

Lizzie Halsey: 'I liked the Inspector Calls trip.'

Marco Boutchelski: 'I liked how it had hidden messages involved within it.'

David Monk: 'I liked the pyrotechnic effects they used on the stage.'

Harriet Grey: 'The set was really interesting and created a very intense but enjoyable atmosphere.'

Benji Carter: 'It was really interesting to see their interpretation.'

There were many schools attending the three matinee performances we went to so it is especially pleasing that, on all occasions, members of the public came to tell staff how impressed they were by the courtesy and self-discipline shown by our students in particular.

Mrs Scotton
English Department

NEWS AND EVENTS

FEBRUARY DANCE SHOWCASE 2017

The next dance showcase is fast approaching. This is the most exciting time of year in the Dance department and we are really looking forward to our next opportunity to showcase all of the brilliant hard work from various Reigate School students. All Year 9 and 10 GCSE Dance students perform as well as the Dance clubs. Selected students are asked to showcase classwork. Auditions to showcase students' own choreography (any year group) took place today and will continue on Monday and Tuesday next week.

Important Dates and Times:

Compulsory Tech run: Tuesday 31st January 2017 - 3:30pm – 6pm. All performers to meet in the Dance studio. (To learn Finale, check spacing, light and sound and wear costume)

Compulsory Dress run: Tuesday 7th February 2017 - 3:30pm – 5pm. All performers to meet in the Dance studio.

The Show: Tuesday 7th February 2017 – 6:30pm – All performers to meet in Dance studio for Performance. Doors open at **6:45pm for a 7pm** start in Reigate School hall.

If your child is not involved this year but would like to be considered for future showcases please ask them to join a Dance club and/or speak to me. This showcase is free of charge so please do come along to support the students and enjoy a night of dance.

Miss Vasey
Teacher of Dance

NEWS AND EVENTS

LOVE TO SING, DANCE OR ACT?



Aged 11 to 18?
Love to sing,
dance or act?
Join us for
**Star for a Night
2017**
Open auditions Sunday 29 January 2017
The Harlequin Theatre, Redhill
All abilities welcome
Free rehearsals and professional tuition

The poster features a starburst graphic with the text 'Star for a Night' and a photograph of a young person in a yellow shirt performing a dance move. The background is dark blue with white stars.

To be eligible to take part you must live or go to school in the Borough of Reigate and Banstead and be aged 11 – 18. Auditions for 'Star for a Night 2017' are taking place on 29th January at The Harlequin Theatre, Warwick Quadrant, Redhill as follows:

- 1:30pm – 2:30pm: Dance for 11-13 year olds.
- 2:45pm – 3:45pm: Musical Theatre for 11-13 year olds.
- 4:00pm – 5:00pm: Dance for 14-18 year olds.
- 5:15pm – 6:15pm: Musical Theatre for 14-18 year olds.

Registration will need to be made online in advance at www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/sfan. You may audition for both dance and musical theatre and if successful may perform in both. The auditions will be workshop-style, you will be taught a short dance/song/acting piece to perform in a group. There is no need to bring a pre-prepared piece.

You will need to arrive 15mins early and stay for the duration of your audition session.

NEW FOR 2017: If you're a solo instrumentalist or part of a band please contact us if you'd like to enquire about performing in the show at leisure.services@reigate-banstead.gov.uk or by phone on 01737 276322.

Taking part in Star for a Night 2017 gives you the chance to win a one year scholarship to Reigate School of Ballet & Commercial Dance or a recording session at a professional recording studio!

If you are successful at audition you will need to be available to attend the following rehearsals and performances:

The Warwick School, Noke Drive, Redhill
9th February to 30th March: Thursdays 5:30pm – 7:45pm.
2nd, 3rd and 4th April: 10am – 5pm.

The Harlequin Theatre
5th April: 10am – 5pm.

Then for the performance at The Harlequin Theatre
6th April: 2:30pm and 7pm

OTHER NEWS

UPCOMING VACCINATIONS

Forms have been sent home with students for the upcoming boosters for the Year 9 and 10 students. The vaccinations are for tetanus, diphtheria, polio, meningitis and septicaemia. Please could you give these your attention and return them to us as soon as possible.

Forms need to be returned by all students regardless of whether they choose to have the vaccinations or not. Information booklets can be picked up from Student Services if you require further information on the vaccinations.

CAREERS

SURREY'S NEW 'YOUR NEXT MOVE' PORTAL

Surrey County Council has launched a new portal which provides young people, parents and professionals with a wealth of information about the options available to young people upon leaving school. The portal outlines the different forms of participation that enable young people who are 16+ to meet their duty to participate in line with the Raising the Participation Age legislation.



You can find information about studying, apprenticeships, traineeships, supported internships, employment, volunteering and much, much more.

Some of the features of the portal include:

- An FAQ section for parents and young people
- Interactive post-16 provider maps
- A news and events section
- Participation information for those with SEND.

Whether you need inspiration to help you decide what to do with your future or whether you're just looking for a bit of advice, the Your Next Move portal can help!

CAREERS GUIDANCE

We have a careers section on the school website which contains useful information regarding college open events, up and coming careers events at Reigate School, details regarding apprenticeships and how to search and apply for them along with links to useful websites. There is also a link to quiz which is fun to take and will give students an idea of what kind of careers will suit their personalities. Go to Academic-Careers or Academic-Option at post 16 for details of local college open events.

Below are some other very useful websites which have plenty of information regarding further education, apprenticeships and careers choices plus interview techniques and many other tips.



www.barclayslifeskills.com



www.apprenticeships.org.uk



www.allaboutschooleavers.co.uk



www.notgoingtouni.co.uk



www.icould.com